

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 MANILA 14584 211002Z
ACTION SS-25

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 SSO-00 /026 W
-----064169 211032Z /23

P 210941Z AUG 78
FM AMEMBASSY MANILA
TO CINCPAC HONOLULU HI PRIORITY
INFO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 0425
SECDEF WASHDC PRIORITY
JCS WASHDC PRIORITY
CINCPACAF HICKAM AFB HI PRIORITY
CINCPACFLT PEARL HARBOR HI PRIORITY
CINCPACREPPH SUBIC BAY RP PRIORITY
13THAF CLARK AB RP PRIORITY

S E C R E T MANILA 14584

EXDIS

MILITARY ADDRESSEES HANDLE AS SPECAT EXCLUSIVE

LT GEN MANOR SENDS

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MARR, RP
SUBJECT: US/RP MILITARY-TO-MILITARY DISCUSSIONS (U)

1. HAD BRIEF INFORMAL MEETING WITH GENERAL ESPINO
THIS MORNING AT MY REQUEST. AFTER EXCHANGING PLEASANTRIES
AND GEN ESPINO EXPRESSING APPRECIATION FOR MY CALLING
ON HIM, HE TOLD ME THAT HE WAS SCHEDULED TO BRIEF THE
PRESIDENT AND CABINET ON WEDNESDAY, 23 AUGUST ON THE
CURRENT STATUS OF MILITARY-TO-MILITARY TALKS. HE
NOTED THAT THIS WAS A CHANGE IN THAT EARLIER HE HAD
TOLD ME HE WAS TO BRIEF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL.
GEN ESPINO DID NOT ELABORATE ON THE SIGNIFICANCE OF
THE CHANGE.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 MANILA 14584 211002Z

2. HE ADDED THAT SOME TIME SOON, NO DATE SPECIFIED,
HE WILL ALSO BRIEF THE DEFENSE COMMITTEE OF THE INTERIM
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY (BATASANG PAMBANSA) ON DEFENSE MATTERS
TO INCLUDE THE MILITARY SITUATION IN THE SOUTH AND THE
BASES NEGOTIATIONS. GEN ESPINO STATED THAT HE WOULD
BE IN TOUCH WITH ME EITHER WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON FOLLOWING

THE CABINET MEETING OR THURSDAY MORNING TO LET ME KNOW ABOUT THE PROSPECTS FOR RESUMING THE MILITARY-TO-MILITARY MEETINGS. HE EXPRESSED CAUTIOUS OPTIMISM THAT THEY WOULD RESUME SOON. HE ADDED THAT HE WILL HAVE TO MAKE A TRIP SOUTH LATER THIS WEEK. THIS WOULD SEEM TO PRECLUDE ANY MEETING BEFORE NEXT MONDAY AT THE VERY EARLIEST. WE AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE TO OUR MUTUAL BENEFIT TO DEAL WITH THE FEW REMAINING ITEMS ON THE AGENDA SINCE SUCH GOOD PROGRESS HAD BEEN MADE THUS FAR. I TOOK THE OPPORTUNITY TO ENUMERATE THE REMAINING ITEMS: COMPLETE SUBIC NAVAL BASE DELIMITATION, INCLUDING TRAINING AREAS AND BASE BOUNDARIES, FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE BC AND USC, BASE SECURITY AND JOHN HAY. GEN ESPINO INDICATED AGREEMENT. I OFFERED GEN ESPINO ASSISTANCE IN PREPARING MATERIALS FOR HIS BRIEFING, NOTING THAT THE PMLOS AT BOTH CLARK AND SUBIC HAD REQUESTED MOSAICS AND AERIAL PHOTOS TO BE USED FOR THE BRIEFING. HE EXPRESSED APPRECIATION BUT BELIEVED AT THIS TIME THAT HE HAD ALL THAT WAS NEEDED. I ALSO EXPRESSED A WILLINGNESS FOR OUR STAFF TO MEET AT ANY TIME WITH HIS STAFF SUCH AS THE MEETING CDR DEBOBES PARTICIPATED IN ON SATURDAY, 12 AUG. HE WAS NON-COMMITTAL ON THIS POINT EXCEPT TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION.

3. THE MEETING ENDED WITH HIS REAFFIRMATION THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ME WED OR THURS. MURPHY
SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 MANILA 14584 211002Z

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DIPLOMATIC DISCUSSIONS, MILITARY POLICIES
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 21 aug 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978MANILA14584
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780341-0065
Format: TEL
From: MANILA
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780843/aaaabjft.tel
Line Count: 94
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: aad75160-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION SS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: EXDIS
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 04 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 1678660
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: US/RP MILITARY-TO-MILITARY DISCUSSIONS (U)
TAGS: MARR, RP
To: CINCPAC HONOLULU HI
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/aad75160-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014